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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIBREVILLE 2303

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, PINT, UG

SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON IMPENDING UGANDAN EXECUTIONS

REF: STATE 214112

1. UPON RECEIPT REFTEL I IMMEDIATELY GOT IN TOUCH WITH
PRESIDENT BONGO'S PRIVATE SECRETARY WHO ARRANGED FOR ME TO MEET
WITH BONGO AT SHORTLY AFTER NOON TODAY.
BEFORE I HAD EVEN FINISHED MAKING THE POINTS PARA 2 REFTEL,
PRESIDENT BONGO ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATELEGRAM
TO BE SENT TO AMIN REQUESTING THE EXECUTIONS NOT RPT NOT BE
BE CARRIED OUT. PRESIDENT BONGO ONLY DICTATED BROAD OUTLINES
OF TELEGRAM BUT DIRECTED THAT IT BE SENT IN HIS CAPACITY
AS OAU PRESIDENT AS WELL AS GABONESE PRESIDENT. THE MESSAGE WAS
TO APPEAL TO AMIN "IN THE NAME OF AFRICA AND ISLAM" TO RECON-
SIDER THE SENTENCES AND IN ANY CASE NOT TO CARRY THEM OUT TOMORROW.
PRESIDENT BONGO SAID IT SHOULD CONTAIN AN APPEAL TO AMIN'S VANITY
ALONG THE LINES THAT AMIN WOULD BE EVEN MORE PRESTIGIOUS IN THE
WORLD IF HE PREVENTED THE EXECUTIONS.

2. PRESIDENT BONGO SAID THAT HE HAD HEARD THAT PRESIDENT
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TOLBERT HAD SENT A SIMILAR MESSAGE TO AMIN AND HE SEEMED
SOMEWHAT RELIEVED THAT WE WERE ALSO ASKING PRESIDENTS
NIMEIRI AND MOBUTO TO INTERVENE. ON THE OTHER HAND PRESIDENT
BONGO DID NOT MUCH RELISH HIS INTERVENTION WITH AMIN AND COMM-
ENTED THAT EACH TIME HE DID SOMETHING SIMILAR, AS HE HAD DONE
IN THE GOLDSMITH CASE WITH BOKASSA, THAT IT COST HIM CONSIDERABLE.

3. OTHER ITEMS BEING REPORTED SEPTELS. YATES

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